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Selectmen's Minutes 05/09/2005

TOWN OF ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 9, 2005

6:00 p.m.

Present: Mr. Hurd, Chair, Mrs. Dias, Vice Chair, Mr. Greeley, Mrs. Mahon, and Ms. LaCourt.
 Also present: Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Maher, and Mrs. Sullivan.

FOR APPROVAL

Minutes of Meeting: April 12, 2005, May 2, 2005

Mrs. Dias moved approval of the April 12, 2005 minutes.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Mr. Greeley moved approval of the May 2, 2005 minutes.

SO VOTED (5-0)

2. Approval: MWRA, May 2005 funding - \$344,700

John J. Bilafer, Town Treasurer

Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

APPOINTMENTS & REAPPOINTMENTS

3. Appointment: Historic District Commissions

Danielle M. Santos

(term to expire 5/08)

Mrs. Mahon moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

4. Reappointment: Board of Youth Services

Lawrence Greco

(term to expire 04-01-08)

Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

LICENSES & PERMITS

5. Request: Use of Publicity Board, 5/30/05-6/10/05

Kristen Boardman & Julia Harper, Philharmonic Society of Arlington

Mr. Greeley moved approval from 6-2-05 until 6-10-05.

SO VOTED (5-0)

6. Request: Common Victualler License

Maria Auciello d/b/a Francesca's, 162 Mass. Ave.

Mr. Greeley moved approval subject to conditions set forth.

SO VOTED (5-0)

7. Request: Use of Minuteman Bikeway, 6/18/05

Jim Gammill, Alewife Deanery of the Episcopal Diocese of Mass.

Ms. LaCourt moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Mrs. Mahon asked Mr. Gammill to contact the Police Dept.-Chief Ryan to let him know about the walk.

8. Request: Three One Day Beer & Wine Licenses, 6/3/05, 6/4/05, 6/5/05

Rev. Professor Nicholas M. Kastanas PhD, Saint Athanasius the Great Greek Orthodox Church, Grecian Food Festival

Mrs. Mahon moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

9. Request: One-Day All Alcoholic Beverage License, 5-22-05

Anthony Dello Russo, Retired Men's Club

Mrs. Dias moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

10. Discussion: Pilot Materials Enabling Physical Activity

Anne Lusk, Ph.D., Visiting Scientist, Harvard School of Public Health

Dr. Lusk presented her plan for testing pilot products at Thompson, Hardy and Dallin Schools. Dr. Lusk agreed to add the Ottoson and Ms. LaCourt agreed to act as an ambassador between the Ottoson and Dr. Lusk. It is funded with a \$35,000 grant and is a very affordable program to continue at other areas in Town. The pilot products include graphics and informational signs.

Mr. Greeley moved approval to move forward on this pilot program.

SO VOTED (5-0)

11. Discussion: Recommended Committee to Study Arlington Financial Structure

Selectmen Kevin F. Greeley

After some discussion the Selectmen agreed to look over the proposal and come back with questions and suggestions.

Mr. Greeley moved to refer this item to the next meeting.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Article 70 Annual Town Meeting

Mr. Maher said that he has not been able to meet with proponents and hopes to meet and draft a smaller version. Ms.

LaCourt expressed that she feels it is inappropriate for the Board to vote on it and that it does not belong as a warrant at Town Meeting.

Mrs. Mahon moved a will report.

SO VOTED (5-0)

13. Article 3 of the May 23, 2005 Special Town Meeting

Home-Rule Petition/Long-Term Health Care

Mr. Maher will write a supplemental report for Town Meeting and feels comfortable with the petition. Mr. Bilafer will forward quarterly reports to Mrs. Dias for Board updates.

Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Article 6 of the April 27th Special Town Meeting/Public Memorial Committee

Mrs. Mahon requested that the words "a majority of the Board believes that..." be added to the first sentence. Mr. Maher will write a supplemental report for Town Meeting.

Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Mrs. Mahon moved to approve the payment of the Integri Systems invoice.

SO VOTED (5-0)

14. Vote on Substitute Motion for Town Manager's Budget Recommendations Motion

There was talk and agreement that the Board would endorse the Town Manager's budget to the Town Meeting after the June 11, 2005 override election. Mrs. Mahon asked that the chair of the Selectmen and the chair of the Finance Committee remain in communication. Ms. LaCourt stated that if the override fails than it's a choice between all good programs on what to eliminate. She wants the Board to look at the 5-year plan before the June 11, 2005 override election and how decision-making will be handled if the override fails. Mr. Tosti, Finance Committee Chair, pledged to work with the Board and keep in communication with them.

15. Approval: Special Election Warrant for Proposition 2½ Override 6/11/05

Mrs. Mahon moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

16. Request: Use of Publicity Board 5/24-6/2, Use of Town Hall 6/2

Michèle M. Meagher, Executive Director, Arlington Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Greeley moved approval from 5-24-05 until 6-2-05. SO VOTED (5-0)

17. Request: Payment of Bills

Cyrus E. Dallin Art Museum

Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Correspondence Received

Frank Toppa Support of funding for Robbins Library Be Rec'd

86 Pleasant St.

Mrs. Mahon moved receipt of correspondence.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Mr. Hurd requested that the letter concerning the club court case be sent to Mr. Sullivan to be researched.

Mr. Hurd also expressed well wishes to Mrs. Krepelka who is out on medical leave for this month.

Ms. LaCourt requested that the letter regarding the grant applications be sent out to user groups and committees by Mr. Sullivan.

Ms. LaCourt asked that a representative attend the MBTA meetings for the Town's interest.

Ms. LaCourt requested a future discussion regarding the budget.

Mr. Greeley announced that Mrs. Dias is having knee surgery this week and would be missed for the next month.

Mrs. Mahon announced that Mr. Sullivan is now "incorporated" in at the Boys Club and congratulated him on investing in Arlington by embedding himself in local activities.

Mrs. Mahon moved to recess to Town Meeting at 7:50PM.

SO VOTED (5-0)

A True Record: Attest:

Mary Ann Sullivan